

Clipper Mission Statement

"To provide discerning travelers with a thoughtful way to see places of natural beauty and cultural interest. To this end, we use small, intimate ships with access to secluded waterways that bigger ships could never consider."

A FEW WORDS ABOUT OUR VOYAGE . . .

Few places in America have resisted the encroachment of mass tourism and retained their unique regional characteristics as successfully as have the areas we visit on our voyage through Colonial America and the Battlefields of the Civil War.

Enjoy an immersion in the history of the Civil War while leisurely cruising in the comfort of our *Nantucket Clipper* along the gentle Intracoastal Waterway, a historic and beautiful waterway that dates back to the presidency of George Washington. Explore the staging grounds of the Civil War, where decisive battles set the direction for America's future and where green meadows, country roads, and small towns became hallowed ground.

You will be inspired by tales of bravery at places like *Fort Sumter*, where the first shots of the Civil War were fired, and captivated by the grace and manners of the antebellum cities of *Savannah*, *Charleston*, *Wilmington*, and *New Bern*. Further north, experience the colonial charm of *Norfolk* and *Richmond* and the urbane elegance of *Washington, DC*, as you cruise along the historic Potomac River and through wildlife-rich Chesapeake Bay. Along the way, you may choose to explore the great Civil War battlegrounds of *Gettysburg*, *Harpers Ferry*, and *Manassas*, where the course of our nation's history was forever changed.

Throughout your journey of discovery, local historians and naturalists will come aboard to contribute to your understanding and appreciation of the battles fought and the areas you visit.

There can be no doubt that the best way to explore and experience the sites and cities of the Civil War is by ship — a ship small enough to navigate easily in secluded waters that bigger ships could never consider.

Our 100-passenger *Nantucket Clipper* is ideally suited for the task. Her shallow draft and great maneuverability give us access to the remote corners of the waterways we sail. From her decks you can view the wildlife and seabirds that abound in these inland passages, enjoy conversation with a group of congenial, like-minded fellow travelers, or just relax and savor the passing view.

We hope you will join us on this unique American travel experience.

